ALABAMA LAUNCHED AHEAD OF SCHEDULE TIME.

EAGER TO BE IN HER ELEMENT

LAUNCHING THE MOST SUCCESSFUL EVER SEEN AT CRAMP'S.

Was Almost Strictly Private as a Pre caution Against Spanish Treachery-Alabama the First of a New Type of Battleships.

PHILADELPHIA, May 18.-The battleship Alabama was launched at Cramp's shippard shortly before 1 o'clock this afternoon. Miss Mary F. Morgan, daughter of Senator Morgan, of Alabama, had the honor of breaking the traditional bottle of on the prow of the big fighter as it slid from the ways.

The fact that the launching of the ship was one of the most successful ever witsed at Cramp's is regarded as an omen of good fortune. So eager was the Ala-bama to get into her native element that, before the sawing of the "shoe" which holds the cradle in place had been com-pleted, the monstrous hull, tugging with a reight of thousands of tons on the strips oak, tore them apart and the big mass of steel glided gracefully into the water a few seconds ahead of schedule time. Miss Morgan stood on a dais built on the

launching platform, directly under the bow of the Alabama. She was attended by her father, Senator Morgan, and her sis-ter, Miss Cornelia I. Morgan. As the ship began to tremble, preparatory to sliding off the well greased ways, she took a firmer grasp on the gaily bedecked bottle of native Alabama wine which she held in her right hand, and, swinging it above her head, smashed it against the nose of the ship, saving as she did so:

"I crown thee with magnolias, brave ship, and christen thee with a proud name, Ala-The bow of the boat was hung with great

festoons of magnolias, gray moss and roses gathered by ladies of the state of Alabama nd sent here for the occasion

Only a few hundred people witnessed the launching, as against the thousands that are usually in the yard on such occasions. time past the yard has been closed to all visitors, and that rule was not relaxed to all visitors, and that rule was not relaxed to any extent to-day. Fear of Spanish treachery has made the government and the Cramps extremely cautious, as a single bomb exploded by a hostile visitor would do almost incalculable damage. The "wartime launching" was for this reason almost a private affects. son almost a private affair.

After the Alabama had come to a stand-

still in the Delaware, tugs towed her back to her dock and workmen swarmed over her, beginning at once the work of pre-paring her for service. If the armor is contracted for now and delivered promptly, the ship will be ready for commission within a year.

It is a curious coincidence that the yard number of the Alabama, 230, is the same as the yard number of the old Alabama, built for the Confederacy in an English ahip yard during the rebellion.

The Alabama is the first to be launched of the three new battleships of her type, the other two being the Illinois and Wissin. She presents marked divergencie of design from the first three, the Oregon, Indiana and Massachusetts. These differences involve both the arrangement of the battery and the disposition of the armor, as well as a considerable increase in size and displacement. The first type had the armor arranged in a waterline belt and casemate amidships, with the ends forward and aft of the belt protected by submerged armored decks, and their bat-teries were mounted as follows:

Four 13-inch guns in two turrets, eight 8-inch guns in four turrets, one at each corner of the superstructure, and four 6inch guns mounted at the corners of the casemate below the superstructure.

In the Alabama the water line armor is

carried clear forward; the protective deck instead of being submerged, as in former ships, is raised to the level of the belt, pes at each side, the same as in protected cruisers. The 8-inch guns of the Indiana type are done away with entirely, the main battery of the Alabama type consisting of four 13-inch guns in turrets, and fourteen 6-inch rapid-fire guns, of which ten are mounted on the gun deck, eight in broadside between the turrets, and two firing straight shead forward of the for turret on the gun deck. Four are mounted in a small redoubt on casement deck, two on each side. The broadside 6-inch guns, instead of being mounted in projecting sponsons, are mounted in recess ports, in order to secure extensive train forward

The general dimensions of the Alabams are as follows: Length over all, 374 feet; breadth, seventy-two feet; freeboard forward, twenty feet; freeboard abaft the after turret, thirteen feet, four inches; draught, twenty-three feet, six inches; dis-placement, 11,520 tons. The guaranteed speed is to be sixteen knots, and the estimated horsepower 10,000. The cost, exclusive of armament, is limited at \$3,750,000. The main battery has already been de-

scribed. The secondary battery consists of seventeen 6-pounder rapid-fire guns, six 1-pounder rapid-fire guns and four Gatlings, Examinations of the plans of the Alabama as compared with those of the earlier ships will show that the departures in the details of construction are in the direction of simplicity and also the reduction of the number of different calibers of ammunition received to be carried on board, the effective weight of fire in various positions remaining substantially the same. Dispensing with the 8-inch turrets also considerably reduced the weights to be carried high above the water, which, it is believed, will be an advantage in a heavy seaway. On the whole, the armament, armor and ed of the Alabama, with a displacement of 11,500 tons, compares favorably with the

latest type of battleships abroad with a disent of 15,000 tons. The maximum thickness of armor on the waterline is 16½ inches, tapering to 9½ inches at the bottom of the belt.

The casement armor is five and one-half inches thick and the superstructure armor is of the same thickness. The armor of the 13-inch gun turrets is fifteen inches thick, except the port hole place, which is seventeen inches. The armor of the barbettes, on which the turrets rest, is fifteen inches thick. The thickness of the pro tective deck armor on the flat over the cits del amidships, and also forward and aft. is two and three-fourths inches, and the thickness of the slopes forward and aft of the amidships citadel is four inches. The conning tower is cylindrical and ten inches thick. The total weight of armor and bolts is 2,730 tons, and of the protective deck or 593 tons. The weight of armament, nominal supply of ammunition, which is two thirds of the full war supply, is

The builders say the construction of the Alabama has been delayed over a year by the failure of the last congress to provide the necessary armor. Had prompt provis-ion been made for the manufacture of the or, the Alabama would at this time, instead of being launched, be fitting out for

Army Hospital Ship Chartered.

WASHINGTON, May 18.-Assistant Sec retary Meiklejohn has chartered the steam line, for use as a hospital ship for the The vessel is said to be well adapted

SHECOULDN'TWAIT War Tax HIGH PRAISE FOR US

prudent families are buying supplies now as a matter of economy. Don't get caught, but at once lay in a year' supply of Hood's Sarsaparilla and Hood's Pills, the most important of all family medicines. If you have neg-lected your course of Spring Medicine, or if you are in need of a good blood purifier and tonic, TO-DAY buy and begin to take

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for the purpose for which it is intended, is of generous proportions, being over 3,000 tons, and is almost new.

SCHLEY'S FLEET AT KEY WEST Pailure to Find the Spanish Squadron Has Not Weakened Confidence in Sampson

CHICAGO, May 18.-A special from Key West says: "Commander Schley with his flying equadron arrived here to-day. Dispatches from the commodore were sent ashore, and replies from Washington were promptly delivered."

KEY WEST, FLA., May 18.-It is believed that the task of cornering the Spanish fleet will be a lengthy one. Those best informed think the enemy will go toward South Cuba, probably heading for Clenfuegos, but this is supposition only, based on naval experience. According to a dispatch received here, Rear Admiral Sampson's cruise thus far has been without remarkable incident, except for the attack upon San Juan de Porto Rico. That the object of the squadron—the meeting of the Spanish fleet—was not accomplished, was no fault of the admiral's.

The failure to find the Spanish fleet has not one whit diminished the universal confidence felt in Admiral Sampson's remarkable ability. It is believed that he will find the enemy as quickly as any man living, and when he does find them, no one has the slightest doubt of the result.

NEW YORK, May 18 .- A dispatch to the Herald from Porto Plata, San Domingo, says:

"It is reported here that the Spanish squadron of four cruisers and two torpedo boat destroyers, commanded by Admiral Cervera, is at Porto Rico. The report appears to be generally accepted here as true.'

PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAYTI, May 18.-(Copyrighted, 1898, by the Associated Press.) Nothing is known here of the report from Porto Plata, San Domingo, to the effect that the Spanish Cape Verde fleet, commanded by Admiral Cervera, has arrived at Porto Rico. The latest news which reached Port-au-Prince concerning the Spanish warships simply confirmed the report that they left Curacoa, Dutch West Indies, on Sunday afternoon last, for an unknown destination, after having taken on board coal and provisions.

CAPE HAYTIEN, HAYTI, May 18 .-(Copyrighted, 1898, by the Associated Press.) There is no news of the Spanish fleet and nothing can be ascertained in any way confirming the report from Porto Plata, San Domingo, that the Cape Verde squadron has arrived at San Juan de Porto Rico.

ST. PIERRE, MARTINIQUE, May 18 .-Copyrighted, 1898, by the Associated Press.) The Spanish torpedo boat destroyer Terror is coaling at Fort de France and may leave at any moment to join the Spanish fleet at Cuba or Porto Rico

The ambulance ship Alicante also re-

Three unknown vessels passed Martinique to-day bound northwest, evidently carrying coal, and probably for the fleet. They would not signal.

Eye glasses scientifically fitted will re-lieve headache. Jaccard's, 1634 Main street.

BAILEY IS A CANDIDATE.

Will Contest With Colonel Blue for the Nomination for Congressman-at-Large.

TOPEKA, KAS., May 18 .- (Special.) W. J. Bailey, of Nemaha county, is a recep-tive candidate for the Republican nomination for congressman-at-large. He said so to-day, and i fDick Blue doesn't watch out the Nemaha man will capture the prize. Bailey's "displacement" in political affairs is very large. He strengthened himself in the recent contest in the First district. Balley returned to-day from a visit in Illiiols. When asked if he would be a candidate for congressman-at-large, he said:
"I will not make an active canvass for the

place, but if the Republican convention sees fit to nominate me, of course I will be delighted and will accept. I have received letters from various parts of the state urging me to become a candidate. To these my reply has been, or will be, that I would appreciate the honor of a nomination."

This means that he is in the fight. Balley stands well in his home district and it will, no doubt, line up solidly for him. He has been given an intimation that he can get several votes in Blue's own district, from Wyandotte, Johnson, Miami, Franklin and Bourbon courties, and a few from Douglas. These counties have a grievance against Blue on account of the capers his friends cut in the Ottawa convention. In the other five districts politicians figure that Bailey has an even break with Blue.

The Shawnee county Republicans were among the first to boom Balley for congressman-at-large. He won their everlasting friendship when he nominated Charles Curtis for congress in the First. Now that he is in the race, Colonel Blue will likely come out of seclusion and begin to patch up his fences. Blue expected to have everything his own way and as a consequence he has been taking things easy. In doing so he had several congressional candidates in the Second sweating blood for a while. It is now his time to perspire. my reply has been, or will be, that I would

KANSAS CITY GETS IT.

Next Meeting of the Missouri Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows to Be Held Here.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., May 18,-(Special.) The Odd Fellows grand lodge to-day voted to hold the next meeting in Kansas City. Printed reports of the grand master, grand secretary and Superintendent G. L. Baldwin, of the Liberty Odd Fellows home, were distributed. The report of Grand were distributed. The report of Grand Master Gillaspy contains a statement of the trouble that has been experienced among the Odd Fellows of the city, resulting in the arrest of the charter of Invincible lodge. Consideration of the matter will come before the grand lodge at the session to-morrow and the members of the suspended lodge, who claim to have made every possible effort to straighten the matter out, hope that the charter will be restored to them. The political motives of two members of the lodge are said to be responsible for the entire trouble. A most interesting public meeting of the Daughters of Rebekah was held to-night at the Odd Fellows auditorium, where the degree of chivalry was conferred on a number of candidates.

Sixteen-Year-Old Boy Enlists.

GLOWING TRIBUTE TO THE UNITED STATES BY BRAZILIANS.

A MOST ELOQUENT FAREWELL

LEAVING AFTER A QUARTER OF A CENTURY AMONG US.

Senhor Salvador Mendonica, Brazil ian Minister at Washington, Transferred to Portugal-President McKinley's Cordial Reply.

WASHINGTON, May 18 .- Senhor Salvador de Mendonica, who has represented Brazil in Washington in the capacity of minister since 1891, to-day presented his letters of recall, preparatory to being transferred to Lisbon, Portugal. The ceremony, which is n many cases little more than an idle form, was in this case remarkable from the magnificent tribute paid to our great republic by Senor Mendonica, who, having occupied the post of consul general of Bra-zil at New York for many years preceding his accession to the ministry, has had more abundant opportunity for just criticism than falls to the lot of most diplomatic representatives. The minister said:

"Mr. President:-I have the honor to place in your hands the revocatory letter by which the president of the United States of Brazil terminates my mission with the government of the United States of America. Hoping that your excellency may concur in the belief expressed by my government that I have, in fulfillment of ts instructions, discharged the duties of my mission in an agreeable manner to your government, and adding to the expression of the best wishes of the president of Brazil for your happiness and for the prosperity of your country, my personal good wishes, I might consider closed my official address.

"But friends do not part, in the solemn hour in which the nation is called to arms, with diplomatic forms merely. Moreover, my debt of gratitude to your people and government for the treatment which I have received at your hands during a residence est a quarter of a century is so great that I cannot take my leave without expressing to the first citizen of this mighty republic my heartfelt appreciation of your benevolence toward a student of your institutions and an admirer of the high character of your nation.

"Opening your country since the colonial times as a land of refugees, establishing your commonwealth on the solid foundation of the freedom of conscience; giving to the world the principles of the declaration of Independence; affirming by the consolidation of the Union and by the abolition of slavery that this continent was thenceforth consecrated to liberty your people has come to the front rank as a powerful has come to the front rank as a powerful factor of modern civilization. Fearless be-fore the strong, magnanimous toward the feeble, deeply convinced that justice and right are the cornerstones of the state, and fairness the measure of international

tropolis amid the mourning of the whole brated by the voice of the entire Union: "I saw the chief magistrate of the nation

fall by an assassin's hand, and observed republic continue firm and serene un der the empire of the law. In its joy or sorrow the nation did not depart a mome from the confidence in its high destiny. "I have visited the different regions of your broad land; I know the active men of

the East, the open hearted inhabitants of the West, and the chivalrous Southerner. It has been my fortune to meet the states man, the scientist, the artist, the manu facturer, the farmer and the workman. Their common ideal is the honor and greatness of their country.

"I have trod the modest paths of the land which led to sacred places: Mount Vernon, where the founder lies; Hollywood where Monroe rests; Oak Hill, Blaine reposes. I have listened to the voices of the wind passing through the branches of the oaks which cast their shade over their tombs and learned the secret of your greatness. May yours be an inspiring example to the whole continent.

"It has been my aspiration, before leav ing your country, to sit again at a table around which all the American republics would re-enact, on a more solid basis, the agreement outlined by the unratified ing the responsibilities of the policy of Monroe, by the members of the compact, as it is due to their sovereign character Blessed be the day which shall witness the meeting of such a congress, first step high court of the international affairs of

our continent.
"Whatever the duty to my beloved country will call me, I can assure you that my heart and sympathy will be with your noble people and with the standard bearer of the republican America, who is advancing the outposts of human freedom into

The president replied as follows:
"Mr. Minister:-Recalling your many years of efficient and friendly representation at this capital, and mindful of the agreeable associations which you have form the officers of this government in the fulfillment of your honorable mission, I can-not but feel regret that your transfer to another post terminates the personal rela-tions you have so acceptably maintained with this government and with the people of this country, although I must, at the same time, congratulate you on the fur-ther proof of confidence in your ability and zeal which your own government ha given you in assigning you to another im-

"The eloquent words you have addressed to me show that your long sojourn in this country and your many oppirtunities of observation and intercourse with our people have imbued you with a clear perception, alike of historical and moral origin, of our political and intellectual system, and of the high purposes which have ever inspired our commonwealth in its relations with the other communities of the earth, whether they be our neighbors or our distant friends; our coadjutors or our gener-ous rivals in the paths of industry and commerce; or whether allied to us by ties of blood and similarity of constitutional forms, or divided by differences of race and governmental structure.

"For nearly a quarter of a century you have dwelt among us, a spectator of our domestic development and an interesting roblems which have so seriou fronted all nations during these closing years of the world's most eventful century, and from which the United States, while TOPEKA, KAS., May 18.—(Special.) Lewis Speniove, the 16-year-old Topeka boy who tried to enlist in every company of volunteers that struck the town, to-day secured a position as bugier of the Twentieth regiment and left for San Francisco to join it.

calm reason and hardy fortitude of our people, furnishing additional evidence of the wisdom of those who founded the re-public on the immutable basis of union, justice, self-control and charity toward all.
"I wish for you, Mr. Minister, all personal happiness in your new field of useful duty. May the memories you take with you of the friendship and esteem you have

won here be matched by those which lie before you in another land. "In thus bidding you farewell, I ask you to be the messenger of the earnest, fra-ternal greetings of this government and ternal greetings of this government and people to Brazil and its citizens, and of their trust that they may long reap the fruits of their devotion to the cause of self-government, and that the blessings of peace, advancement and plenty may ever be their lot; and I beg to assure the president of the republic of my cordial wishes for his personal welfare."

ASSOCIATED PRESS MEETING. All but Thirteen of the Stockholders Were Present in Chicago

Yesterday. CHICAGO, May 18.—The annual meeting of the Associated Press was held to-day in Recital hall, Auditorium building, 115 of the 128 stockholders being present. Vice President Horace White, of the New York

Evening Post, presided.

The annual report of the general manager showed that the receipts last year were \$1,605,866 and the expenditures \$1,520,545. The present membership is 700, and about 2,500 daily and weekly papers are served through minor organizations. The following directors were elected: Arthur Jenkins, Syracuse Post; M. H. De Young, San Francisco Chronicle; Victor F. Lawson, the Chi-



Secretary and General Manager of the As-sociated Press.

cago Record and Daily News; Charles W. Knapp, St. Louis Republic. The following advisory boards were

chosen:
Eastern division—General Felix Agnus,
Baltimore American; James Elverson, Jr.,
Philadelphia Inquirer; Ambrose Butter,
Buffalo News; Charles H. Taylor, Jr., Boston Globe; P. C. Boyle, Oil City Derrick.
Central division—George Thompson, St.
Paul Dispatch; D. M. Houser, St. Louis
Globe-Democrat; A. Howard Hinkle, Cincinnati Commercial-Tribune; H. S. New,
Indianapolis Journal; E. Rosewater, Omaha
Bee.

feeble, deeply convinced that justice and right are the cornerstones of the state, and fairness the measure of international dealings; industrious, intelligent, lawabiding and peace-loving, your nation can well be proud of its achievements, and no one has had a better opportunity than I to satisfy himself, by a careful observation of men and laws, of your steady advancement and progress.

"I have seen your country in its days of joy and of sorrow. I saw, at the celebration of the centenary of your independence, the past master in the art of war open the great fair of the arts of peace and reveal to the world the double greatness of the nation, which, in ten years, had transformed swords and guns into implements of industry. I saw the great melidit to rest in the heart of your great melidit to rest in the heart of your great metropolis amid the mourning of the whole

ing cup.

Mr. Thompson did not feel equal to it and

Mr. Thompson did not feel equal to it and Mr. Thompson did not feel equal to it and introduced the Euterpe Ladies' Quartette, of St. Paul-Mrs. S. V. Harris, first soprano; Miss Celeste Coghlan, second soprano: Miss Maud Burdette, first alto, and Mrs. C. B. Yale, second alto. By their rectation in filling the cup and a song when it was overflowing, they merited the applause which greeted the conclusion of their work. The cup was passed by General Manager Stone. After the coffee and cigars all arose and drank to the memory of Moses P. Handy, Colonel William Singerly and Washington

Hessing.

Then followed a long list of toasts.
General Manager Stone announced the death of the Hon. William Ewart Gladstone, and all arose and drank "To the memory of the man who more than any other represented in his life the public sentiment, the best opinion, of the world."

RACY ATCHISON SCANDAL.

Jealousies of a Brace of Widows Get One of Them Into Serious Trouble.

TOPEKA, KAS., May 18.-(Special.) The issuance of a warrant in the federal court to-day for the arrest of Mrs. Emma Vaughn, of Atchison, opens up a scandal that promises to shake the social fabric that promises to shake the social fabric of that town from center to circumference. Mrs. Vaughn is accused of sending obscene matter through the United States mails. The complaining witness is Mrs. Mary E. Sloan, formerly of Atchison, but now of Kansas City. Mrs. Vaughn and Mrs. Sloan are each charming widows of 32 and 40 years, respectively. Each is in love with Amos E. Howell, a wealthy widower of Atchison. Jealousy is the cause of the trouble. Mrs. Sloan was Howell's favorite for many years and she says he had promised to marry her. However. Mr. Howell began paying attention to Mrs. Vaughn, who was somewhat younger than Mrs. Sloan, although, perhaps, not so handsome. He sent Mrs. Sloan to the Pacific slope last summer and later had her come back and locate in Kansas City. In the meantime, he still pursued Mrs. Vaughn. Mrs. Sloan thought that the old gentleman was growing chilly toward her and correspondingly sweeter on Mrs. Vaughn. Bo she began writing him letters in which she did not speak in very complimentary terms of her rival.

The letters, however, came within the law. Mrs. Vaughn got hold of them, and it aroused her blood. She penned Mrs. Sloan several missives in which expressions were used that would not look well in print. The more she wrote the worse they got. Mrs. Sloan placed them on file, and a few days after brought the accumulation to Topeka and laid them before the United States district attorney. They were referred to Postoffice Inspector reported his findings to the United States attorney, and this morning a warrant was issued for Mrs. Vaughn, and she admitted having written the letters. Howell was also consulted, and he wanted the matter hushed up. He said it was only a scrap between two jealous women. The Inspector reported his findings to the United States attorney, and this morning a warrant was issued for Mrs. Vaughn's arrest, and placed in the hands of the United States marshal for service. Deputy Prescott went over there this afternoon to place the woman under arrest, and also to su of that town from center to circumfer ence. Mrs. Vaughn is accused of ser

MISSOURI G. A. R. MEETING.

Large Delegations Have Already Arrived at Carthage for the Encampment.

Encampment.

CARTHAGE., MO., May 18.—(Special.)
Large delegations have arrived already from all parts of the state to attend the seventeenth encampment of the G. A. R., department of Missouri. J. P. Platt, Kingston, deputy commander; W. H. Lowe, junior vice commander, Warrensburg; J. B. Paschall, St. Louis, assistant adjutant general; Rev. T. H. Haggerty, deputy chaplain, are present. The W. R. C. will hold its meeting at the Methodist church, Mrs. Sarah E. Martin, Brookfield, national president, and Mrs. John T. Birdseye, Nevada, department president, are organizing for the meetings.

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SEE OUR NEW NOVELTIES.

Senor Castillo, Present Minister to Grand Lodge Closes Its Annual Ses-France, to Be Minister of Foreign Affairs.

MADRID. May 18 .- The new Spanish cabinet has been formed as follows: President of the council of ministers— Senor Praxedes Sagasta. Minister of foreign affairs—Senor Leon y Minister of war-Lieutenant General Cor-

ea. Minister of marine—Senor Aunon. Minister of the colonies—Senor Ro Giron.
Minister of finance—Senor Lopes Pulg-Minister of the interior-Senor F. R.

Capdepon.

Minister of justice—Senor C. Greizard.

Minister of public instruction—Senor Gamazo.

The premier will act as foreign minister ing the arrival here of Senor Castillo, who is in Paris, serving as minister to

LONDON, May 19.-The Madrid correndent of the Morning Post says: "One of the first acts of the new cabinet will be the expulsion from Spanish terri-tory of all correspondents of American newspapers and of such British corre spondents as are-suspected of sending obctionable matter." The Madrid correspondent of the Daily

Telegraph expresses the opinion that Senor Sagasta remains in office because "something is hoped from the intervention of the

GARFIELD UNIVERSITY. Friends of Kansas Accept the Gift

and Will Raise a \$50,000 Endowment. LAWRENCE, KAS., May 18 .- (Spe The representative meeting, the body that acts for the Friends' church of Kansas during the recess of the yearly meeting. convened here to-day and formally accept-ed the gift of Garfield university, located at Wichita, which J. M. Davis, of St. Louis, It was also agreed to raise an endowment in the church of \$50,000. A board of man-agers, consisting of fifteen was selected to have charge of the university. This board have charge of the university. This board will meet here to-morrow morning and effect an organization and begin work on the plans to open the school. It is the intention to open the school next September. A president of the school and a complete faculty will be selected at once and these will be set to work arranging the curriculum for the coming year. Meanwhile, solicitors will be sent out over Kansas, lowa and Oklahoma, soliciting for the endowment and for students. Mrs. Colonel John D. Miles will have charge of the soliciting.

CAVALRY RECRUITS WANTED. Regular Army Officers Opened a Recruiting Office at Sedalis

Yesterday. SEDALIA, MO., May 18.-(Special.) A

recruiting office was opened here to-day by Lieutenant A. M. Fuller, Sergeant Rahming, Surgeon Ude and Corporal Easton, young men of this locality seem to prefer quite a number have been impatiently awaiting for the past ten days the arrival of Lieutenant Fuller. Within an hour after the opening of the recruiting office, thirty had accepted six volunteers and rejected three. Lieutenant Fuller expects to 200 cavalrymen in Central Missouri.

BRIEF HOUSE SESSION.

Rill Prohibiting Publication of Information Concerning Our Forti-Scations Fails to Pass.

WASHINGTON, May 18.-The house adjourned to-day after a session lasting only half an hour. Ineffectual effort was made to pass a bill prohibiting the publication of information concerning the strength of the country's fortifications. Without a word of debate, the deficiency pension bill was passed.

NEW CABINET ANNOUNCED. KANSAS KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

sion at Fort Scott With "Da-

FORT SCOTT, KAS., May 18.—(Special.) The grand lode of the K. of P. in Kansas closed its three days' session and twenty-seventh annual convention to-night with the play "Damon and Pythias," rendered by members of the order, assisted by ladies belonging to the Rathbone Sisters, the grand lodge of which has also been in ses-sion here. The Knights of Pythias elected the following state officers: Past grand chancellor, W. A. S. Bird, Kansas City, Kas.; grand chancellor, W. H. Swartzell, s; grand vice chancellor, John W. Alton, Kingman; grand prelate, E. E. Murphy; Leavenworth; grand keeper of records Gus J. Neubert, Kansas City, Kas.; grand master of exchequer, A. C. Jobes, Wichita

master of exchequer, A. C. Jobes, Wichita; grand master-at-arms, W. J. Duvall, Hutchinson; grand inner guard, M. Sheppard, Bennington; grand outer guard, Frank L. Briton, Osage City.

The grand dodge of Rathbone Sisters elected as follows: Past grand chief, Mane Colcroft, of Topeka; grand chief, Mrs. Clara Nichols, of Colby; grand senior, Mrs. Mary A. Brown, of Chanute; grand junior, Miss Lizzie Bates, of Fort Scott; grand manager, Mrs. Davis, Concordia; grand mistress of records and correspondence, Mrs. Ida Kirkwood, of Stranton; grand mistress of finance, Mrs. Fox, of Larned; grand protector, Mrs. Buchanan, of Yates Center; grand guard, Mrs. Brokaw, of Hiawatha.

EVERY DOLLAR PAID IN.

Superintendent Orear Has Collected \$233,306 in Taxes on Insurance Companies.

JEFFERSON CITY, MO., May 18 .- (Spe souri, the superintendent of the insurance department annually assesses against all foreign insurance companies licensed to do husiness in Missouri, a tax of 2 per cent on gross premiums received by said companies on their business in the state. On of tax assessed against all of these com panies was mailed to said companies On May 18, the last cent of this tax, amounting to \$233,306.17, was paid into the

amounting to \$23,306.17, was paid into the state treasury.

This wast sum of money was assessed and collected from these companies at a total cost of a 2-cent postage stamp on each letter mailed to these companies. It was paid without question and without defalcation or reduction of a cent in amount. Superintendent Orear's collections under this law exceed any former sum collected in any one year since the adoption of the law by over \$13,000.

The foreign licensed insurance companies in Missouri are not only the most prompt, but the most cheerful and reliable taxpayers who contribute to the support of the state government.

YOUNG COLLINS NOT HELD. Coroner's Jury Finds That J. S. Col-

lins Was Murdered by Some Person Unknown. TOPEKA, KAS., May 18 .- (Special.) The

coroner's jury in the J. S. Collins murder case, after listening to evidence for two days, returned a verdict to-night that Col-lins came to his death by a gunshot wound inflicted by an unknown party. A strong effort was made to lay the crime on Col-lins' own son, John H. Collins, a Kansas university student, and, while there was some evidence that cast suspicion on him, the jury deemed it insufficient to warrant his arrest.

Georgia Populist Ticket

ATLANTA, GA., May 15.—The Populists of Georgia to-day nominated J. R. Hogan, of Lincoln county, for governor: Felix N. Cobb, of Carroll county, for attorney general, to fill vacancies caused by the declination of those named at the regular convention held six weeks ago. The platform as then agreed upon was indorsed at to-day's convention.

Nine Days of Prayer. NEW YORK, May 18.—Archbishop Corrigan has sent a letter to clergy of his diocese directing that nine days of prayer, beginning on Friday, be held in each of the churches in behalf of Christianity, following the precepts of the pope, as laid down in his encyclical on that subject, issued a year ago.

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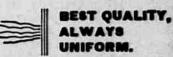
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